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| In re Patent Application of     | ) |                             |
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| Nicolangelo PEDUTO et al.       | ) | Group Art Unit: 1772        |
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| Application No.: 09/462,179     | ) | Examiner: Marc A. Patterson |
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| Filed: March 10, 2000           | ) | Confirmation No.: 4762      |
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| For: MULTILAYER STRUCTURE BASED | ) |                             |
| ON POLYAMIDES AND TUBE OR       | ) |                             |
| CONDUIT WITH MULTILAYER         | ) |                             |
| STRUCTURE                       | ) |                             |

**AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- ☐ A Terminal Disclaimer and the ☐ \$55.00 (2814) ☐ \$110.00 (1814) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are also enclosed.
- ☐ Also enclosed is/are \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- ☐ Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the ☐ \$375.00 (2801) ☐ \$750.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- ☐ Applicant(s) previously submitted \_\_\_, on \_\_\_, for which continued examination is requested.
- ☐ Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least \_\_\_, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
- ☐ A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.

☒ [X] No additional claim fee is required.

☐ [ ] An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

| AMENDED CLAIMS   |               |   |              |                    |            |
|--|---------------|---|--------------|--------------------|------------|
|  | NO. OF CLAIMS | HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | EXTRA CLAIMS | RATE               | ADDT'L FEE |
| Total Claims   | 26            | MINUS 26 =                                | 0            | × \$18.00 (1202) = | 0.00       |
| Independent Claims   | 1             | MINUS 3 =                                 | 0            | × \$84.00 (1201) = | 0.00       |
| If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$280.00 (1203)       |               |   |              |                    | 0.00       |
| Total Amendment Fee  |               |   |              |                    | 0.00       |
| If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee |               |   |              |                    | 0.00       |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT                            |               |   |              |                    | \$0.00     |
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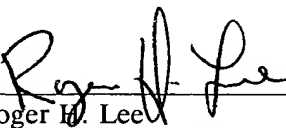
☐ [ ] A claim fee in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.

☐ [ ] Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT**

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In further response to the Official Action (non-final rejection) issued February 28, 2003, and further to the Amendment filed on May 28, 2003, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

*Please replace claim 1 as follows:*

1. (Twice Amended) Multilayer structure comprising at least one internal layer and at least one external layer, wherein at least the internal layer is formed from a composition comprising at least one thermoplastic polyamide and at least one impact-resistance modifier present at a concentration by weight of between 10 and 50% of said composition, and in that at

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